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## CABLE T.V. FINALLY ON L.U. CAMPUS

by James Weaver

After months of haggling over terms, Laurentian University will be receiving extended cable television service from Sudbury Cable Services Limited. Cable television, currently available in the University College television rooms, the U.C. porters' lodge and in the apartment of the Senior Resident, will now be made available to residents of the Married Students Apartments.

Cable had been placed in the University College locations towards the end of last summer. However, the cable company was unwilling to extend its service elsewhere on the campus, claiming that the transience of the student market would make collection of charges too difficult.

Married Students Apartments became the next stage of the battle, as its residents were of a more permanent variety. However, the cable company wanted to supply service to that building on an all-or-nothing basis; they offered a discount rate in return for wiring all the apartments in the building at once. Hence, residents of Married Students would be paying for cable television through their rent, whether they wanted the cable service or not. The university was to be responsible for the collection of all cable charges.

Director of Services Romeo Bertoli refused that offer, stating that it was unacceptable for the university to charge someone for a service they weren't receiving and didn't want.

The cable company has now backed down on its demands for full building service and is offering cable to Married Students residents on a basis similar to that offered their other clients.

For those Married Students residents who wish to avail themselves of cable television, application forms are now available in the Porters' Lodge on Student Street. Once demand has been established, installation will begin in the next two weeks.

Charges for the service are nine dollars a month (plus tax) and an installation charge of five dollars if the resident signs up immediately. The five dollar charge is a special short-term offer the cable company has going across its coverage area. Normal installation charges will probably be in the vicinity of twenty-five dollars.

As it stands now, there are no plans to extend cable services to other parts of the campus. Bertoli told Lambda that the cable company is leary of putting cable service into the University College or Single Students residences as it would be difficult to ascertain who to bill for the service. Collections might also be a problem, considering the high annual turn-over in the residences; the cable company is unwilling to bear a large number of unsettled accounts when the residents move out at the end of each academic year.

As well, to this point, none of the federated college residences have expressed interest in obtaining cable television.



Eating our own words gave us a touch of indigestion this week, as Laurentian's President Dr. Henry Best took us to task over an article published in our last issue [see "Laurentian Tuition Going Up 14%"]. But while Henry plays word games, our own notorious editor maintains that the quality of our education is at stake. See Page 5.

## TRAN STUDENTS NEED CAMPUS SUPPORT

by James Weaver

The nine students being sued for libel by translation professor, Louise Thirion-Nordstrom, are finding the experience to be physically, emotionally and financially draining. They are now looking to the campus community for support.

Money is a particular problem. The students' solicitor is going to cost them approximately a thousand dollars per day in court, leading to a fee that none have the personal resources to support. With the backing of the Translation Students' Council and the Students' General Association, the defendants are now launching a series of bottle drives, raffles and the like to raise funds should the case proceed in court. As well, the Translation Council is putting on a dance on March 13 with an entry fee of two dollars to raise money. Student security services for the dance will either be donated by security staff, or have its costs absorbed by the SGA. They are also hoping to have a disc jockey donate his or her services free. (The theme of the dance is to be "Keep the Customer Satisfied".)

The SGA will also be holding a dance on March 27, with proceeds to go to support the defendants.

### Board Yanks the Rug

The students' financial problems arrived in a hurry. When the legal case first was initiated last spring, the university's Board of Governors offered to cover the defendants' legal expenses. To the shock and

dismay of those involved, this offer has now been retracted. Speculation from the Translation Council indicates that the Board got cold feet after Thirion-Nordstrom won her case against the university before the Ontario Labour Relations Board.

Some funding has been made available by the current Translation Students' Council (the defendants, for the most part, were last year's Council) and from the SGA. However, the resources of those two organizations are too limited to cover all the costs involved in a legal defense.

### A Taste of History

The libel suit arose out of a Senate meeting last year that considered the granting of tenure to a number of professors, one of whom being the plaintiff Louise Thirion-Nordstrom. The then Translation Council apparently circulated a letter to Senate, opposing the extension of tenure to Thirion-Nordstrom. Though granted tenure by Senate (tenure was later first accepted by the Board of Governors, then rejected, then reinstituted by the Labour Relations Board) Thirion-Nordstrom sued the Translation Council alleging that the letter's contents were libellous.

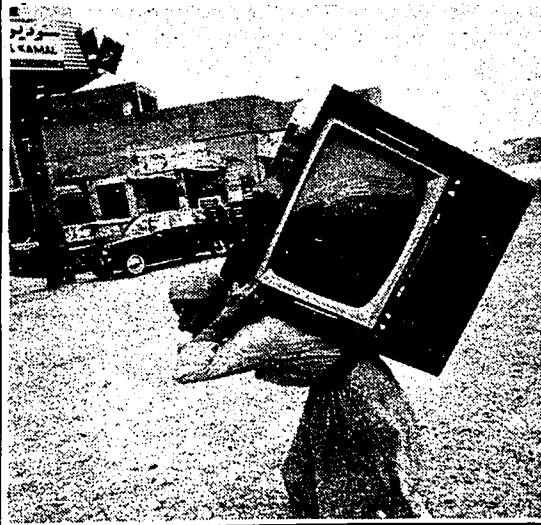
A number of attempts to settle the case out of court have thus far gone fruitless and the case entered discovery last week. If a settlement is not soon reached, the case will enter full hearing next September.

According to Deborah Teller, one of the defendants, a

settlement would definitely be the preferable outcome. Apparently, monetary terms are not the issue holding up a settlement. The plaintiff is demanding an apology and a retraction of statements made in the letter. Thus far, a number of different apologies have been proffered, but the students firmly refuse to retract their statements.

The onslaught of graduation is one of the major reasons that the Translation students would prefer an out-of-court settlement. Four of the defendants are no longer in Sudbury or attending Laurentian; one is presently in Europe. These people have had little contact with the proceedings of the case and have given their approval to whatever settlement the current Translation Council can arrive at. However, if the case continues in court, it is likely that these four will be subpoenaed to take part in the proceedings.

The remaining defendants will have similar problems if the case proceeds next September. Most will have graduated by that time and will, presumably, no longer be located in the city. "It's going to be really difficult," said Deborah Teller. "We're going to have to get leaves of absence from our jobs to attend the court. That's if we can get leave, after only working for a couple of months. More likely we'll have to quit so we can respond to the subpoena. That's all we'll need; more money problems."



## Stroker's Box

Aloha Stokers!

Here we are reporting to you from one of the world's greatest sunny vacation resorts. (Now all you suckers who stayed in Sudbury for the break, doesn't that just frost your balls?). Before we move on to the real meat of the article, we'd like to thank Narc's assistants for their two cents regarding the unjust smut in the RAMMs report. Unfortunately, with the devaluation of the dollar, your two cents was worth absolutely nothing.

On the social scene, the RAMMs would like to thank Les Habitantes for a super, well put together and imaginative Valentine's party, (although, when Pete was working in the kissing booth, cash flow was nil). Sister Sledge (Teddy Bear and Pickle), Werner and Louis put on a fine show for the "standing room only" crowd at the Talent Night. Rumour has it that while the Battered Beavers were in a blue mood, Garfilio was showing off his seductive "greens". (Sorry sweetie, al-

though your buns are squeezable, and like Mr. Whimple says, don't squeeze the Garfilio, that wasn't quite enough to win the contest.)

Now, moving on to the sports scene, the RAMMs would like to congratulate the guys A hockey team for slaughtering (and damn good) the U.C. team (A calibre?). Ah, the taste of victory is so sweet. A BIG THANKS go out to: Doctor Jay, Buck, Gates B2, Flipper, Frank, Big Dan, Little Dan, Jack Pine, Walt, Lane Giz, Garfilio and Sudden. Undeclared, the guys showed what Stokers are really made of.

In the Wide World of Stokers Ball Hockey, congratulations go out to the 3rd Brown Battered Beavers who won the residence championship over 1st Brown Fighting Saints by a score of 9 - 6. (Yes, we know Buck, 3rd Brown won the fl#&!n ball hockey championship - hic, hic!)

Now, if you think that the guys have all the talent, hold on to your shorts... (especially you, Milani). The Strokettes have started off the season with a convincing victory over the U.C. Bunsen Burners (whose flame just went out) by a 7 - 1 score. Three cheers babes! On a

final sports note, stay tuned for the girl's ball hockey championship to be held this Saturday at high noon. See ya' there!

Well, the RAMMs gotta go now to suck back a few pina colodas and catch a few rays. Bye bye.

**Your ever lovin' RAMMs**  
**PS:** Hey guys, don't forget to get your woman for the End of the Year Banquet to be held at the Sheraton Caswell Inn on March 29th.

**PPS:** Now Sammy, have you no pride?...displaying your briefs in the girls' dressing room! tsk! tsk!

## Tran trivia

by Smith or Jones

Hi there! Well, the intellectual half of Smith & Jones is studying for a test and this half is here to report on the TRANS trip to Montreal and Ottawa. For the 14 students who came, it was really worth it! Talk about feeling important... (not you, you're supposed to be studying)... Taking cabs from one place to another, jumping onto the subway from Place Jacques-Cartier in Le Vieux Montréal (which, by the way, is quite impressive when you see it for the first time -- it's located right on Mont Royal -- what a view!) or to downtown Montreal on Sat. night. (On a quand même beaucoup marché -- surtout à Ottawa -- M.S. was giving us an

unexpected tour of the city at night...) And important people waiting for us everywhere we went -- à L'Univ. d'Ottawa (JURIVOC), au Secrétariat d'Etat -- Bureau des Traductions (l'Ecole des Interprètes et la Section de Terminologie -- ce fut très intéressant et très utile -- surtout pour ceux (celle) de 4e année qui travaillent leur mémoire) et à TAUM (Traduction automatique à l'Univ. de Montréal). On nous attendait aussi le samedi soir à la Casa Pedro (un restaurant espagnol) -- le service était magnifique, to say nothing of the food and the jugs and jugs and jugs of Sangria (after all, we had to celebrate the Prez's birthday, didn't we?) and ... to say nothing of the

price (OUCH!!!). After that feast, on est allé à une Boîte à Chansons -- ça "swingait dans cabane"! As for lodgings, we had the best (and cheapest) in town (right, gang?). Anyway, for more details on the great time we had, see your rep.

By the way, Banquet tickets are on sale now for \$10.00 a person (don't forget -- March 15th!) Another important event coming up: there will be a special dance held on March 13th at the Great Hall. Nous avons besoin de l'appui de tout le monde (I said **TOUT LE MONDE** -- surtout, tous les **TRADUCTEURS!**)

A la prochaine!  
1/2 of S & J  
[the other is in semi-retirement]

As the spring equinox swiftly approaches, the time to bear down and attempt to realize dreams, via academia, becomes the mainstream of activity. A welcomed break from this occurs March 14 with the annual University College Banquet. It is to be held at the Caruso Club with First Company providing the entertainment (official, that is). Tickets are quickly on the

## Unicornia

wane and, at thirty-five dollars, they are a deal for such an event. They are available from any Council member.

This being a leap year means that the girls may ask the guys as well!

The curling bonspiel (mixed, of course) is scheduled for

March 22 with entry forms available shortly.

Chopper recently confided that, if anyone catches him drinking before Banquet, he will serve that person breakfast in bed.

A floor party of considerable success was held Saturday sponsored by the lads of four and five, the theme song being "Keg Of My Heart".

Chico's immigration papers have just been declared void: he needs character witnesses to stay in the country -- that could present probs.

P.S. Wally, there is a sale on weiners. Marvin, what really happens in motorhomes?



by Mark Cayouette

Well, here we are with five weeks left till exam time. I know you're all impatient but you'll have to wait.

Last Saturday, **Huntington** held its annual broomball tournament. Of the four teams who entered, one team showed a tremendous performance by winning the tournament. In the finals of the tournament, Team C met Team D. During that game both goalers (Jennifer M. for Team D, Claude J. for Team C) showed enough ability to goal for the Toronto Maple Leafs by not letting one goal get past them during regulation time. The game went into sudden death overtime. After approximately a minute and a half into the sudden period, Doink (Garry D.) scored the winning goal. The night was

crowned with a party in the Social Centre. I'd like to take a minute here to thank the organizers of the tournament for the great job they did.

On the last Thursday before the "break", **Huntington's** Hawkettes (girl's basketball team) played in the finals of the "Girls' Intramural Basketball." Despite being outnumbered 8 to 5, **Huntington's** girls managed to show a great performance even though they lost by a spread of 8 points. The "Men's Intramural Indoor Soccer" started last week with **Huntington's** Hounds playing the Italian Connection. The Hounds lost by a score of 3 - 1. The Hounds' best player, Muff (Mark M.), scored two goals.... in his own net.

**Huntington's** other soccer team, the Hawks, lost to the U.C. Whitecaps by a score of 5 - 3. Shank was the **Huntington** star of the game with his contribution of two goals, the other goal was scored by no less than Dan the Man himself.

The girls' hockey team, the Ne Nes, were playing on Monday night. They, here we go again, crushed, destroyed, extinguished, killed mutilated, outplayed, outscored and outskated the S.S.R. Poissonettes with an impressive shutout. At the end of what must have been a long game for the Poissonettes, the Ne Nes won by a score of 17 - 0.

**Huntington's Believe It or Not**

-Shank (Sean Jenkins) was supposed to fly to Montreal to go home for the "break", but believe it or not he misplaced his plane ticket; in other words he lost it.

-A certain second year social work girl, from second floor, was on Lorne Street the other day and believe it or not, instead of taking a bus that went into the downtown area, she took the wrong bus and ended up in Copper Cliff. She's now on K.P. duty for the rest of her life.

-Believe it or not we've got four T.V. celebrities here at **Huntington**. During Judy Ero-la's campaign, Elaine, Secretary (Rhonda), Ether (Morris that is) and Carby were interviewed on T.V.

P.S. Let us not forget that the Year End Banquet is coming up on the 29th of March. See you all next week, this is Coyotee saying goodbye for now.

## Talent Hunt!

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# NDP'S "CATCH ALL" POLICIES COULD LEAD TO POLITICAL DEAD END !

by Nick Antonic

Despite the euphoria exhibited by Ed Broadbent on election night and echoed by other New Democratic Party members since February 18th, the party's showing in the last contest demonstrated that some serious structural problems exist, problems that can no longer be ignored. The party may have gained its largest number of seats ever, but its disastrous showing in Ontario and the Maritimes make the victory a pyrrhic one at best.

Besides losing a total of five seats, two in the Maritimes and three in Ontario, including one held for twenty-two years, the party was able to pick-up only two seats in southern Ontario. This relegates the NDP to fringe status in Ontario; the party's representation has declined continually from 1972 when it elected "members, through 9 seats in 1974 and 6 in 1979. Shut out in the Maritimes, Quebec and Alberta, the NDP's power base remains Manitoba, Saskatchewan and British Columbia, its traditional foundation. One could argue that the party has been relegated to the status of a regional party and that it has progressed little from its CCF origins some 50 years ago.

This "defeat" occurred in spite of Ed Broadbent's considerable personal popularity, an effective and very professional media campaign, substantial financial backing, a platform perceived by a significant segment of the electorate as being most directly confronting issues and avoiding personalities, a mood for change afoot in the nation, volatility among the voters, quiet and well organized Canadian Labour Congress support, good candidates and the unpopularity of Clark & Trudeau. The issues raised by the NDP struck a resonant chord in the public imagination and added to the level of debate that our politicians engaged in and attempted to call political dialogue. All of these factors should have produced more substantial results. More seats overall, some representation in the Maritimes and Quebec and, most importantly, greater success in Ontario.

Although it has been repeated often enough to become a virtual "truth" of our political system, there is some validity to the importance given to success in Ontario if a party hopes to be

successful nationwide. The NDP's "loss" in Ontario may have far reaching implications for the party's ability to remain a serious force in national politics. The party cannot ignore the Ontario results, no matter how hard it may try.

It would be too simplistic and probably impossible to

facing the country. Disregarding the realism or legitimacy of this perception, this reaction poses a serious problem for the NDP. The party is thought of (correctly or incorrectly) as the party of big Labour, a connection that will become an increasing liability in the years to come. This liability would be

Labour Congress campaign was an abysmal failure. Sabroui's support was unable to produce results in Sarnia, Windsor, Algoma, Nickel Belt, certain ridings in Toronto and Cambridge for example, all of which have significant blocs of union voters. The party is caught on the horns of a dilemma; the vast middle class sees the party as being in the pocket of big unions (which it certainly isn't) and fears the party because of that connection. The NDP must make inroads into the middle class urban vote, something that will not happen as long as the union connection exists in the public mind. If labour could produce seats, this liability would be offset; since it's obvious that labour support can produce nothing in tangible terms, the party must come to terms with this problem. The extent to which a re-evaluation of this relationship should go is up to the party. What is obvious, though, is that a complete re-examination of the NDP's association must be done if the party ever hopes to capture a greater share of that middle class vote.

The second major problem is a more complex and serious one. To be blunt, the party has lost a sense of purpose and direction and has become a "catch all" for the odds and ends of the political spectrum. Anti-nuclear activists, pro-abortionists, ecological activists, utopian socialists and "radical chic" Torontonians have all flocked to its folds. In attempting to appease all of these factions, the party has lost a central focus or purpose. What exactly does the party represent? All of these groups alienate some others without making any real contribution to

the party's strength. The party's real strength, at present, is with its western, agrarian-protest and radical-labour roots; surely the party has progressed since 1933 and broadened its appeal.

What is needed to broaden the party's popularity is a coherent platform of economic, political and social innovations tailored to capitalize upon the discontent and malaise evident in the middle class. Emphasis on such issues as Petro-Can, high interest rates and mortgages, the impact of a branch plant economy upon our national condition and similar issues would create some semblance of order and would counter-balance the less significant but more vocal and attention grabbing fringe groups.

Essentially, the party must step back and consider its direction and intentions. If it hopes to ever exceed its present status, the party must completely rethink its platform and organization, as well as its connections with specific interest groups. The special relationship with organized labour has become counter-productive and must be severed. The only real hope for the future is with the urban middle class; to provide answers for the questions and problems that confront this group. A new party must be created, one that builds upon the foundations put in place by the CCF but one that also changes with an increasingly complex society.



attempt an explanation of these events in an article like this. There is some evidence, though to indicate that the NDP's problems are concentrated in two specific areas. Put as simply as possible, there are serious structural problems within the party and significant difficulties with the public's perception of the New Democrats relationship with elements of the labour movement and of the Left.

In a recent poll, conducted by the CBC and released on the "Sunday morning" show of February 24, 36% of those questioned responded to the question "what do you see as the greatest threat to Canada in the 1980's", by stating that something called "big labour" was the most serious difficulty

more than offset if, in fact, the active support of organized labour paid off; if that support was translated into seats. However, a check of the more heavily industrialized and unionized seats in Ontario, for example, indicate otherwise. The much vaunted Canadian

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## MARCH IS ...

by Alex McGregor

**March is:** cold, warm, windy, rainy, sleety, icy, sunny, sometimes simultaneously.

**March is:** all nighters, too much work, too little time, too little energy, too many bills, not enough money.

**March is:** the main university flag flying at half mast to remind us of our mortality, and that of colleagues and friends.

**March is:** St. David's Day, St. Patrick's Day, sometimes Easter -- but always Lent.

**March is:** writing away for travel folders, looking at seed catalogues, dreaming of the first dip in Ramsey Lake.

**March is:** farewell banquets, contemplating the future and thinking "If I can only get through April -- the Laurentian was a good place, for the last two, three or four years."

**March is:** hearing of a colleague's new job and/or imminent departure from Laurentian and knowing full well that there will be no fresh replacement brought in to continue his/her tradition.

**March is:** crocuses in Ontario, and daffodils flown in from British Columbia.

**March is:** two crows sitting on the corner of University of Sudbury, and cawing loudly enough to wake the Society of Jesus.

**March is:** sitting in a car feeling the warmth, and dreaming of July -- then stepping outside of the car and being plunged into January.

**March is:** Ron Greasley warming up his pitching arm inside Thorneloe -- and dreaming of Spring Training in Florida.

**March is:** income tax time.

**March is:** hearing of marvelous jobs being awarded to graduating geologists -- then being told that Geology may not be taught at Laurentian.

**March is:** getting the first batch of letters from Frosh wishing to come to Laurentian, and asking to be shown Thorneloe -- so letting us all know that Thorneloe and Laurentian are being recognized as good places to spend March, 1981.



**March is:** announcements of increases in fees, and wondering if we can afford to return to Laurentian.

**March is:** the month named after the Roman god of War. This was the month when the campaigning season began. Julius Caesar was off to war when his assassination intervened on the Ides of March.

**March is:** the first green grass poking up along the cement sidewalk leading to the Great Hall.

**March is:** snow melting on a southern slope, while it falls on a northern slope.

**March is:** regular services at St. Mark's on a Thursday night at 5:30 -- the evening sun pouring in where once there was darkness. God reminding us that his promises are kept and that Spring and Summer will soon remove our darkness doubts and gloom.

**March is:** you coming to St. Mark's on Thursday. Why not -- March is a month of miracles.

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### To: The Editor:

I am writing in regard to a letter which appeared in Lambda's February 28th issue (Democracy by Convenience). The letter was a response from the Political Science Association of Laurentian University to a history association letter (Feb. 14 issue) which criticized the PSALU sponsored "Meet the Candidates" meeting. Through a "sensationalized" title Lambda placed its own mark of disapproval on the PSALU's policy of the candidates meet-

ing. With the letter labelled in such a biased manner, the PSALU's explanation was "marked" before the letter was read. It is unfortunate that Lambda has to resort to yellow journalism to evoke a response from the Laurentian community; at least let the Laurentian community draw its own conclusions.

P.S.: Ever hear of the National Enquirer?

Steve Vrbnac  
Vice President PSALU

### To The S.G.A.:

On behalf of the Voyageur Hockey Team, Coach Harris, The Athletic Department and the many fans who used such service, **thank you** for your support this year in the form of free buses to some of the Vees hockey games. It was another positive effort on your part towards Laurentian student life.

John W. Hamilton  
Special Events Co-ordinator  
Laurentian Athletic Dept.

"Hey matey"  
The old codger shouts away  
"Port's just over the 'rizon  
Home soon, home my son!"  
He lurches in the ship sway:  
The old fool.

Under me  
My ship heaves and groans  
She tosses stern to bow  
Up, down, up again somehow  
She cries and moans:  
I hold on.

They tell me  
Angels built this ship  
With celestial song of love  
Help from one above  
To make safe the watery trip:  
Down below.

Yet somehow  
Sails tear and masts bend  
The grave lies fore and aft  
My ship's a broken raft  
And it is soon to end:  
This voyage.

"Oh sonny"  
The old man moans in fear  
"God help we're going under  
Mid-ship's torn torn asunder!"  
I loose a single tear:  
And go down.

Roger Couvrette  
November 21, 1978

## THE SAILOR



# WE STAND CORRECTED, BUT...

First off, we would like to thank President Henry Best for finally coming forth publicly with a consideration of tuition fees. It is high time that a topic of such importance to this university's future got an open airing; in fact, the timing is probably a little late.

We stand corrected in that the 14 per cent tuition fee increase (actually 13.8%) was a proposal rather than an official announcement. However, matters weren't as clear cut as Dr. Best's letter would seem to indicate. The tactics behind the tuition fee proposal were more than a little shoddy. Students first got word of the proposal in letter form from the president's office on the afternoon of Monday, February 25; in other words, just a couple of hours before the Executive Committee of the Board of Governor's was supposed to meet to consider the proposal, according to Best. We haven't been able to ascertain whether there was in fact an Executive Committee meeting on the Monday in question. We do know that the Committee met the following evening, where representatives from the Students' General Association and the Association des Etudiants Francophones staunchly opposed the hike. This, we suspect, led to the deferral on consideration of a fee increase above 7.5%. Still, considering the non-student, non-faculty make-up of the Board, we worry about the final outcome.

At any rate, we had a press deadline on Tuesday afternoon and our best information at the time was that the fourteen per cent increase would be implemented. **Vital Statistics:** In his letter, Dr. Best casually mentions that a couple of universities will be charging higher fees than Laurentian next year. Casually unmentioned is that his proposal calls for a 20% tuition fee increase over two years, an option a good number of other institutions have already rejected. (We commend, however, the decision not to charge different fees for different departments, a trend popular with other universities.)

Slicing statistics can often be misleading unless full information is provided. Thus, we culled information from across the province and learned that the following universities will be charging across-the-board fees lower than the proposed 13.8% next year: Ottawa (7.5%), Waterloo (7.5%), Carleton (probably 7.5%), McMaster (less than 7.5%), Lakehead (4.4%), and all of the community colleges.

Trent University will be adopting a fee increase similar to Dr. Best's proposal.

Next year, the following universities will be charging higher fees to professional students, than Laurentian, but lower fees in Arts and Sciences. (Pro schools will almost all be increased the full 18.2% in this instance. Figures cited are for non-pro school undergraduates): York University (7.5%), Guelph (7.5%). The University of Toronto will be hiking non-pro school fees by about 14%.

Only the University of Western Ontario, Queen's and Brock will be charging across-the-board fees higher than the Best proposal next year, and we would catch up with them in the following year.

## When You Pay For What You Get, You'd Better Get What You Pay For:

The implications of the above information are obvious. Undergraduates in non-professional school programs at all but three Ontario universities will be paying fees lower than the Best proposal next year. In the following year, with Laurentian charging the highest possible amount, there will doubtless be institutions with significantly lower fees. To put things into perspective, the new Ontario tuition fee situation follows recommendations of the P.S. Ross Report; students will be required to pay a larger proportion of the costs of education. In free enterprise terms, this might be called a hybrid "user pay" system. A "user pay" system relies on marketplace economics. Given a choice between several apples, consumers will opt for the least expensive model.

On top of that, one has to add considerations of quality. Common conception ranks Laurentian with Lakehead, Brock and Trent as the province's poverty pack in terms of facilities, course offerings, staff numbers and financial stability. This all puts a question mark beside the quality of Laurentian education as compared to other, potentially less expensive, institutions. Taking the professional schools into account, many students may even opt for the marginally higher pro school fees elsewhere next year, noting that Laurentian will be as expensive in the future while offering what could be considered a lower quality education. Need we point out that Commerce is taught out of portables by professors all of whom carry course overloads? As for the School of Engineering; what School of Engineering?

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The Editor  
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Dear Sir:

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"I am writing to correct statements made on the first page of your issue of 28 February (Laurentian Tuition Going UP 14%). In the story as well as in the headline, you state that the Laurentian University Board of Governors have announced "a hike in the University's tuition fees" amounting to 14% for 1980-81 and an additional increase for 1981-82. This is not true. In fact, the Board of Governors has **not announced** a tuition fee increase, and, indeed, has **not approved** such an increase.

The facts are as follows: The Executive Committee of the Board of Governors met on Monday 25 February to discuss a fee-increase proposal. The proposal suggested a 13.8% increase for the coming year and a subsequent increase for 1981-82 which would permit Laurentian to raise fees to the discretionary limit permitted by the Ministry of Colleges and Universities.

Following a lengthy discussion of the matter, involving student representatives, the Executive Committee did not approve the proposed increases but made the following decisions:

1. To increase the basic tuition fee for 1980-81 by 7 1/2% (the formula fee). Any decision to increase the tuition fees beyond this level was deferred to the next meeting of the Executive Committee.
2. The course fee for part-time students for 1980-81 was set as one-fifth of the full-time fees.

Quite clearly, the headline and the lead paragraph in your tuition fee story are inaccurate and grossly misleading. At present, the approved tuition fee has increased from \$725.00 to \$779.00. The course fee for part-time students is \$156.00, a reduction from the current fee of \$160.00.

While the final decision of the Executive Committee of the Board of Governors may be to increase the 1980-81 fees beyond the present 7 1/2%, the decision will be made following further research and discussion among students, staff and members of the Board.

There are other misconceptions in the same article which require comment. Your insinuation that Laurentian fee increases will make this institution one of the most expensive educational prospects in the province is misleading. First, Laurentian does not levy differential fees for Science, Engineering or Commerce programmes as do other universities. Laurentian's fees are and will continue to be set at one level, regardless of programme attended. Other Ontario universities have levied higher fees than the Laurentian proposal. For instance, Science programmes at Queen's University have a tuition fee of \$920.00. Brock, another small university, has already set a tuition fee of \$850.00.

You state that the University hasn't presented a budget in the past two years. This is not true. For the fiscal year 1978-79, a formal budget was taken through Senate to the Board of Governors and approved. For the current year, I have been empowered by the Board of Governors to administer the financial affairs of the University on the basis of a draft budget approved by the Finance Committee of the Board. For those who wish to seek detailed financial information on Laurentian University, I would suggest looking at the audited financial statements of the University. These audited statements are published following the end of each fiscal year and give a clear story of the financial state of the University and are of much more assistance in assessing the actual state of our finances than a budget which is a financial plan. Audited statements are available for all to read in the University Library. Regarding the budgeting process for the current year, the existence of a draft budget has not meant that firm budget control does not exist. Far from it, each department is working under a budget in keeping with the Finance Committee's direction.

Regarding student and faculty representation on the Laurentian Board of Governors: I, personally, am in favour of voting privileges for students, faculty members and Alumni representatives. However, such a change would necessitate a change in the provincial legislation affecting the University. I would hope that a request for changes in the Laurentian University Act could be discussed by the Board of Governors and that other possible changes could be made at the same time. The new faculty contract, now under negotiation may require such changes to the act should be requested at one time. Meanwhile, student, faculty and Alumni representatives have voting membership on all Board of Governors committees excluding the Executive Committee.

Sincerely,  
Henry B.M. Best  
President

*H. B. Best*

These points mentioned above all were indicated in the article that Best condemns. He has not seen fit to publicly address these issues. More peculiar, perhaps, is that Best has previously enunciated these very concerns, stating a personal conviction that Laurentian's tuition fees should go up by only 7.5 per cent with, perhaps, 1, 2 or 3 per cent on top if absolutely necessary.

Now we discover that Best is the author of the 13.8% fee proposal. We haven't been informed, however, as to what has caused this change in attitude.

## Zero Basis Budgeting:

Laurentian budgeting procedures for the past few years have been stranger than steak on a vegetarian menu. Best is correct in noting that the budget for 1978/79 was passed; it simply wasn't implemented. That document called for a number of faculty cuts that weren't carried through. Despite this, and a budgeted deficit, the university actually ran up a moderate surplus.

The current situation is almost stranger. The draft budget in Best's hands called for fifteen or sixteen faculty cuts; they have not been implemented. This would presumably mean that the projected deficit for 1979/80 will be even higher although, given the past track record, this may not be the case.

The budget process for next year is veiled in secrecy as far as Senate and the students are concerned; both parties were removed from the Budget Committee this year. Hence, our input to current considerations on the tuition fee increase is taking place without a complete context. The university has yet to show just how much more money it's going to need, if any. Audited statements are fine for determining where we've been, but not where we're going. You don't drive a car by looking through the rear view mirror. Will we have Geology next year? Or Engineering, or Modern Languages? As it stands now, our education is in the hands of one man who won't tell us what he's doing with it ... but he wants us to pay more for it.

## 'Mis-Matches'?

# WOMEN'S HOCKEY BEGINS

by Brian 'Fish Ziegler' Trevail

The Women's Intramural Hockey League got underway last Wednesday night at the Bell Grove Arena. Two games were played with the U. of S. Strokettes and the Golden Blades coming up with victories.

In the first game of the season the U. of S. Strokettes handled the U.C. Bunsen Burners with ease as they came up with a 7 - 1 victory. Joanne Mantha was the big gun for the winners as she fired the hat trick. Also scoring goals were Louise Dallaire with a pair and singles to Linda Melnychuk and Nicky Gaudet. The Bunsen Burners lone goal was scored by Jan Green.

In the second game of the evening the Golden Blades defeated the U.C. Playgirls 5 - 2. Noreen Murphy and Debbie Poeta both fired a pair of goals with Sue Wardrope rounding out the scoring. Scoring for the Playgirls were Sandy Ramer and Marlene Keranen.

On Sunday, March 2, two more games were played on the Bell Grove ice surface. In the first game the Thornehoe Thunderbirds defeated the U.C. Mis-Matches 4 - 3. Allison Salter fired a pair of goals for

the T-birds. Beth Marden and Sandra MacFarlane each tallied the single marker. Pauline Therrien scored all three goals for the Mis-Matches.

In the final game of the evening the Huntington Ne Ne's held an informal practice as they demolished, humiliated, embarrassed, destroyed and simply upset the much favoured S.S.R. Poissonettes 17 - 0. The outcome of the game was



evident right from the opening face-off as it took only 45 seconds for the Ne Ne's to get on the scoreboard. Scoring goals for the Ne Ne's were Julie Cadeau, Liz Usher, and Cathy Bell all scoring the hat trick. Rose Blais had a pair of goals with singles going to Jill Weise, Lise Belanger, Sue Payerl, Diane Leadbeater, Jennifer Martin and Helen Lindfors. Claudette Connessi had the shutout for Huntington as she stopped both shots that were fired in her direction.

The Poissonettes were definitely not in spirits for this game (the pub is closed on Sundays) but they will be for the remainder

of the season.

**Coaches' Corner:** Larry "Muzzer" Masaro (U.C. Playgirls) ...

"In this our 4th year of existence, I expect great things from the Playgirls as they intend to go to Chicago for the all American Bunny Tournament."

"In the off season we made a major trade acquiring Sandy 'Squirt' Ramer for Maura Butko. The Golden Blades wanted a tough aggressive player and we needed a scorer. I think both teams should be satisfied with the trade. The squad has several seasoned veterans; Kullas, Field (Astro), Bell (Audrey), Earl, 'Double Sow Cow' Wood and Lise Cow along with some outstanding rookies and free agent Berube (Berl-Berl). I think we will definitely peak for the playoffs and possibly for Mr. Hefner also."

John 'Chico' Bogdanis (Golden Blades): "I feel our success will be based on our newly acquired draft choice Vicki Trussler. She was a 95 goal scorer in Junior Hockey and I feel she will contribute to our squad and give us that added scoring punch. I also feel the new system we are employing will add greatly to the team's success."



## Intramural Banquet

MARCH 28, 1980

by Marty McInnis and Bruce Anderson

**To:** All participants in the 1979-1980 Intramural Athletics programme.

**Re:** The first annual Intramural Athletic Awards Banquet.

**What:** A dinner and dance, with a brief awards presentation.

**Where:** The Science II Cafeteria.

**When:** Wednesday, March 26, 1980. Dinner will be served at approximately 6:30 p.m.; the dance will begin at 9:00 p.m. and end at 1:00 a.m.

**Why:** The banquet is designed to provide a year-end activity for all intramural athletes, and also to provide an opportunity for the presentation of any awards.

**Cost:** \$6.00/person (best deal on campus) for banquet and dance. The dance itself will be open to every student at the cost of \$1.00/person.

Tickets presold and are available from: Marty McInnis, UC Res. Room #512, Bruce Anderson, SSR Room # M35, Georgetown Brouillard, P.E. Centre.

Athletes are encouraged to come with the entire team, but individuals are more than welcome.

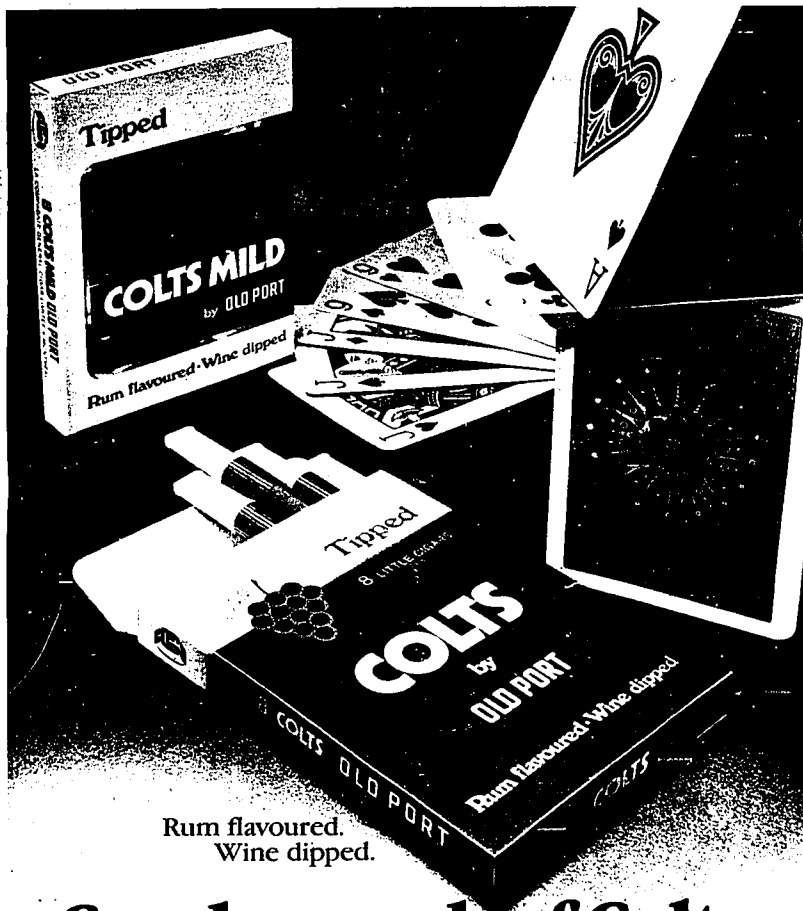
## Rugby Meeting

The first organizational preferred.

meeting of the Laurentian Voyagers Rugby Club will be held on March 15 at the Huntington Social Centre at 4:00 p.m. All interested students and faculty members are welcome to attend. Experience in the game of rugby is not necessary, but an interest in the game of rugby, both on the field and in the clubhouse is preferred. On the agenda for the meeting will be a discussion of the financing and scheduling of games and practices for the upcoming fall season. A film from the Corking Cup final will be shown and refreshments will be available. For further information call the Dept. of Athletics at 675-1151, ext. 273.



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# INDOOR SOCCER UNDERWAY

## INDOOR SOCCER by Brent Ross

The indoor intramural soccer league has finally arrived at Laurentian. Action began last week in which seven exciting games were played.

On Tuesday the Italian Connection connected as they defeated the Hounds from Huntington 3 - 1. The Connection's goals were scored by Walter Michelette, Ronald Romanette and Rick Fabilli. The lone goal for the Hounds was scored by Andre Therrien.

In the second game of the evening the Wildcat Strikers and the S.S.R. Prospectors fought to a 0 - 0 tie at the end of regulation time. This led to an overtime showdown. There the Strikers showed their shooting ability as they put two goals by the Prospectors' helpless goalie, Bruce Weaver. Better luck next time, Bruce; you'll need it. The two goals by the Strikers were scored by Mickey Aieias and Roman Stanoewicz. In the third game the Faculty Selects showed their championship ability as they were victorious over the Thunderbirds from Thorne 2 - 0. The Selects are striving towards their second straight championship. The Thunderbirds put up a good battle but Coach Billy Harris and Coach Mike Heale showed their ability to shoot for the net as each plugged in one goal apiece.

The last match on Tuesday was a close fought match between the Huntington Hawks and the Stokers of U of S. Both teams played well but, in the final outcome, the Hawks pulled in a lone goal, which was scored by Dave Burke to win 1 - 0.

The next night of action was on Thursday where three games of exciting soccer were seen.

The first match saw the U.C. Crawmen claw to a victory over the Black Pirates. The Pirates Ben Mba and Dave Varga showed their soccer style, but the Pirates' lone goal by Dave Varga wasn't enough to beat the Crawmen. The U.C. team goals were scored by Rob Green and Eddie Balha, who hustled all game. The ex-Oshawa soccer star Mike "Nipper" Alderdice fell prey to the goal post syndrome and was unable to put the ball in the open net. The Pirates goalie Gary "Chopper" Shea, who was newly recruited in the 5th round, showed his long, lanky style but was unable to handle a couple of different shots. The Pirates play their next game on the 13th of March. Come see soccer skill performed at its best. I must say



that Ben Mba is a joy to watch.

In the second game John "Hammer" Hamilton netted two important goals for the U.C. Whitecaps as they pulled off a very close game against the

hustle of the Huntington Hawks. The Whitecaps took on early lead 1 - 0 but, with eight minutes to go in the game, the Hawks were leading 3 - 2. Hawks goals were scored by

Sean Jenkins who netted two and Terry Turner found the open net on the other Hawks goal. But the Whitecaps, with their strong team play near the end, were able to pull off a 5 - 3 victory. John "Chico" Bogdan is plugged in two of the U.C. goals and Brent Ross scored a loner. In the last game of the night the S.S.R. Spacemen played the Fantalings. The Spacemen were edged out by the Fantalings 3 - 2. The teams had many chances to take the victory but the Fantalings were at the right place at the right time. Their goals were scored by John Vigna who had a couple and Ed Stantewice had a single.

The two goals for the Spacemen were netted by Steve Gallant.

Both nights were filled with exciting and well played soccer action.

Play resumes each Tuesday and Thursday evening, so come on out and cheer your team to victory; enjoy the non-stop action of indoor soccer.

P.S. On Thursday evening U.C. White Caps' former captain John "Mork" Koivu handed over his C to John Hamilton. Mork's reasons were vague but he mentioned to us that his main reason was due to his inability and unco-ordinated movements on the soccer floor.



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